## <u>CLAIMS</u>

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What is claimed is:

1. In a network system comprising a client computer with user display, a compilation server and at least one network server containing original content, a method for providing output data based on data acquired from the network server in response to a client search request, the method comprising the steps of:

providing the search request from the client computer to the compilation server; at the compilation server, identifying prospective original content providers; at the compilation server, sending the search request to the prospective content providers;

receiving, by the compilation server from the network server, original server content data and original server presentation data responsive to the search request;

transforming the original server presentation data into transformed presentation data according to a predetermined rule; and

outputting the original server content data using the transformed presentation data on a client computer output peripheral;

wherein the data is output in the form of a unitary, cohesive Web page output.

- 2. The method of claim 1, including the step of storing the content data in the compilation server.
- 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of transforming the data includes additional processing accomplished with artificial intelligence.

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- 4. The method of claim 1, wherein a template including one or more rules is used to transform the data.
- 5 5. The method of claim 4, wherein the template for transforming the data arranges the data based on *when*, *where*, *why*, *who*, *what* and *how* descriptive elements related to the request.
  - 6. The method of claim 4, wherein the template for transforming the data modifies the data based on *when, where, why, who, what* and *how* descriptive elements related to the request.
    - 7. The method of claim 6, wherein the template for transforming the data arranges the data based on *when, where, why, who, what* and *how* descriptive elements related to the request.
    - 8. The method of claim 1, wherein the step identifying prospective original content providers is accomplished using an acquired client profile.
- 20 9. The method of claim 1, wherein the step identifying prospective original content providers is accomplished based on a variable selected by the client.
  - 10. The method of claim 1, wherein the content data is formatted into categories

including an index field, a data category field, a data format field and data field.

11. The method of claim 10, wherein the data stored in the data field is video or graphics data.

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- 12. The method of claim 10, wherein the data stored in the data field is sound or program data.
- 13. The method of claim 1, wherein the receiving step comprises downloading content data over a network, and the transformed data is provided over a network.
- 14. The method of claim 2, wherein the transformed data is provided to the client computer that generated the request.
- 15. In a network system comprising a client computer with user display, a compilation server and at least one network server containing original content, a method for providing output data based on data acquired from the network server in response to a client search request, the method comprising the steps of:

providing the search request from the client computer to the compilation server; at the compilation server, identifying prospective original content providers;

at the compilation server, sending the search request to the prospective content providers;

receiving, by the compilation server from the network server, original server

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content data and original server presentation data responsive to the search request;

transforming the original server content data and original server presentation data into transformed content data and transformed presentation data according to a rule; and outputting the transformed content data using the transformed presentation data on a client computer output peripheral;

wherein the data is output in the form of a unitary, cohesive Web page output.

- 16. The method of claim 15, including the step of storing the content data in the compilation server.
- 17. The method of claim 15, wherein the step of transforming the data includes additional processing accomplished with artificial intelligence.
- 18. The method of claim 15, wherein a template including one or more rules is used to transform the data.
- 19. The method of claim 18, wherein the template for transforming the data modifies the data based on when, where, why, who, what and how descriptive elements related to the request.
- 20. The method of claim 15, wherein the step identifying prospective original content providers is accomplished based on an acquired client profile or variable selected by the client.

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- 21. The method of claim 15, wherein the content data is formatted into categories including an index field, a data category field, a data format field and data field.
- 5 22. The method of claim 21, wherein the data stored in the data field is video or graphics data.
  - 23. The method of claim 21, wherein the data stored in the data field is sound or program data.
  - 24. The method of claim 15, wherein the receiving step comprises downloading content data over a network, and the transformed data is provided over a network.
  - 25. The method of claim 16, wherein the transformed data is provided to the client computer that generated the request.
  - 26. A system that provides transformed information along with a transformed presentation in a computer-based environment, the system comprising:
    - a compilation server to provide sought information to a client over a network; a search request established by the client;
  - an original server containing data potentially related to the search request; original server presentation data, received by the compilation server and responsive to the established client search request; and

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a rule used by the compilation server for transforming the original content;
wherein the compilation server transforms original server presentation data into transformed presentation data.

- 5 27. The system of claim 26, wherein the rule is chosen by the client.
  - 28. The system of claim 26, wherein the rule derived from a client profile.
- 29. The system of claim 26, wherein one or more rules are used to transform the original content, and the one or more rules are contained within a template.